

TODAY'S ECONOMY CAR

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Clear, with temperatures still above average.

Weather synopsis: A Red Sea trough is causing a weak northeasterly flow of air.

Location	Yesterday's High/Low	Today's High/Low
Jerusalem	16-25	14-23
Golan	25-35	13-23
Nahariya	23-31	13-23
Safed	21-31	13-23
Haifa	23-31	13-23
Tiberias	23-31	13-23
Nazareth	23-31	13-23
Atula	23-31	13-23
Shomron	23-31	13-23
Tel Aviv	23-31	13-23
B-Q Airport	23-31	13-23
Jericho	23-31	13-23
Gaza	23-31	13-23
Beersheba	23-31	13-23
Sidon	23-31	13-23
Tiran	23-31	13-23

Social and Personal

Two Dutch newspaper editors from Apeldoorn, K. Bokma and J. Bles, yesterday presented Defence Minister Shimon Peres with a IL500,000 gift for Beit Haholem, donated by their readers.

The Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Aharon Yadin, yesterday gave a reception in his office in Jerusalem for Professor Haim Ben-Shahar, newly appointed President of Tel Aviv University.

The Druze poetess, Kabbala Hiyam Imami, of Ustiyeh, yesterday called on Haifa Mayor Yosef Almog and presented him with her first published book of collected poems.

Mr. Louis L. Lockabin, president of the Canadian Technion Society, yesterday visited Technion City and called on President Amos Horev, in connection with the Lou Harris Canadian student dormitories project.

A group of 35 Venezuelan industrialists, currently visiting Israel as guests of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry and the Institute for Planning and Development, yesterday visited Technion City.

Some 300 Hadassah members who recently immigrated and members of Yael (women's auxiliary) yesterday attended a reception by Hadassah Hospital Director-General Prof. Kalman Mann.

An exhibition of the works of Yehozkel Streichman, a pioneer of abstract art in Israel, was opened yesterday evening by the Minister of Education and Culture, Aharon Yadin, at the Tel Aviv Museum.

DEPARTURES

Aharon Yarin MK, former Minister of Information, for the U.S., on a speaking mission for the UJA.

SAUL UDWIN

passed away April 5.

Deeply mourned.

Flora, Leon, Robert, Dennis, Jennifer, Mona and Avishag.

We deeply mourn the untimely death of our beloved and esteemed friend

SAUL UDWIN

who died on Saturday, April 5.

Smoky Simon and Family

To ELIJAHU and GIL FRED

Our heartfelt condolences on the death of your mother

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THE CHUG AND FRIENDS

With deep sorrow we announce the death of our beloved mother and grandmother

CORINNA ARTOM

Who passed away in Torino (Italy) on April 6, 1975.

THE CHILDREN: GIORGINA AND LEVY MARCUS
SILVIA AND RICCARDO BOLOGNA
GIUSEPPE AND SILVANA ARTOM

GRANDCHILDREN: GIUDITTA, MICHELA AND FABRIZIO

Our beloved

JOHANA BONN

Passed away after a short illness.

The funeral will leave Rambam Hospital in Haifa today April 10, at 1 p.m.

MAX, NAOMIE, GIDEON AND MICHAEL BONN.

HAIFA, 41 REHOV YEFER NOF.

We mourn the passing of our dear mother,

Mrs. ROSE S. ROSENFELD

in Miami, U.S.A.

Shiva will take place at 29 Rehov Harav Frank, Bayit Vegan, Jerusalem.

TERRY (Mrs. MILTON POLLACK)

Kremlin split on aliya, says Agursky on arrival

BEN-GURION AIRPORT. — The progressive chomping-off of immigration from the Soviet Union expressed a compromise between two opposed groups in the Soviet leadership — those who want to get rid of as many Jews as possible, and those who don't want them to go to Israel. This was the opinion of Israeli activist Mikhail Agursky on his arrival here yesterday from Vienna with his two children and a number of other Soviet Jews.

Agursky, a 42-year-old computer expert whose father was a close associate of Lenin, waged a long battle to get his exit visa. But once he had it, he told reporters in

Ineffectual bombs Woman held as Fatah agent

A small explosive charge and evidence of a second bomb which had already exploded were discovered yesterday morning outside the Torino garage, near the Jerusalem Vehicle Licensing Bureau in Talpiot. No one was hurt, and there was no damage.

A day earlier two small bombs went off at the Nahalsh labour exchange and the Bank Leumi branch in Hebron. Neither caused any damage.

Ma'alot victims remembered

SAFAD. — Five families whose children were murdered by Arab terrorists in a Ma'alot school last May 15 have donated a Torah scroll to their synagogue here in memory of the young victims. The money was raised by the bereaved parents and the National Insurance Institute.

The five victims were Yona Sabagh, Malka Amrusal, Yocheved Darsal, Rina Cohen and Zivia Mor-Yosef.

The chairman of the bereaved parents' committee, Meir Amrusal, said the 17 other bereaved families would also contribute money to commission scrolls for their synagogues. A handwritten scroll costs IL23,000.

Counter-terror raids 'don't influence Arab govt's'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's counter-terrorist operations in neighbouring countries have never swayed their governments to stop the terrorists from attacking Israel from their territory, according to Aluf (Res.) Mattityahu Peled, Tel Aviv University Arabist and former IDF Quartermaster-General.

Peled told the Hebrew University's conference on strategic issues, which ended in Jerusalem yesterday, that this had been one of the aims of Israel's so-called retaliatory raids.

But when Jordan cracked down on the terrorists in Jordan in 1970 it had been for its own internal reasons and it had not been influenced by Israel's actions. The same was true of Egypt, when it put a stop to terrorist operations in 1967.

If Lebanon eventually decides to accept responsibility for the terrorists who attack Israel from its territory and stop them from doing so, it will not be a result of Israel's retaliatory operations, Peled said.

He was taking part in the general discussion after the presentation of a paper by Dr. Dan Horowitz of the Hebrew University on Israel's experience on the control of limited military operations.

Dr. Horowitz said that the retaliation system had allowed Israel to bear up under the pressure of provocative hostile actions without being forced into full-scale war. But the existence of the system increased the inclination to employ it even when alternatives are available, and could become counterproductive as they could produce unanticipated escalation.

A NEW IMMIGRANT aid office was opened yesterday in Upper Nazareth by the Absorption Ministry, to serve 3,000 immigrants in the area.

THE AMERICAN JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE

and

JDC/MALBEN

mourn the passing of

LOUIS BROIDO

Honorary Chairman of AJDC and Chairman from 1966 to 1973

JACK D. WEILER

Chairman, AJDC

SAMUEL L. HABER

Executive Vice-Chairman

THEODORE D. FEDER

Director, Overseas Operations

HAROLD TROBE

Director-General JDC/Malben

RALPH I. GOLDMAN

Associate Director-General

Next Monday, April 14, 1975 (3 Iyyar) the eve of the Day of Remembrance for Israel's Fallen, we shall meet at 2 p.m. at Kever Hatzahim of our dear ones:

Major ADAM WEILER

Major GIDEON WEILER

for the first annual joint memorial service at the graveside in the Mount Herzl Military Cemetery, Jerusalem.

We shall assemble at the Cemetery entrance at 1.45 p.m.

Nissan 5735

THE FAMILY

United Jerusalem, April 1975



Two soldiers run an obstacle course during yesterday's army sports competitions, which took place at the IDF's physical training school. Chief of Staff Mordechai Gur addressed the participants and awarded the trophies. Haim Eisner of the army engineering school broke a 14-year-old record when he threw a hand grenade (dummy) 77.88 metres (the previous record was 74.30 metres). Nahal won the overall competition by scoring 348 points in the day's events. Training Command came in second with 340 points. (PCA)

Protest action continues at Government hospitals

By MACAREE DEAN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The emergency admissions wards of Government hospitals in central parts of the country remained closed to patients yesterday with the exception of dire emergencies.

Government hospital doctors started a partial strike on Wednesday refusing to admit all patients, to press their case for increasing medical staff so the physician on duty in the emergency ward would not also have to care for patients already hospitalized.

The director-general of the Health Ministry, Dr. Ya'acov Mancel, met yesterday with the chairman of the Organization of Government Physicians, Dr. Gideon Manelis, to discuss the protest move. Dr. Mancel said the problem to be solved was finding doctors to expand hospital staffs and getting approval for the move from the Civil Service Commission. Some 300 doctors would be needed to ensure that emergency ward physicians do not have to do double duty. If this number were taken on from the outside, mainly from clinics, it would raise the number of physicians in Government hospitals from 1,200 to 1,300.

Dr. Mancel and Manelis are to meet again today.

Attempt to end Technion labour dispute fails

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — An attempt by the Haifa Labour Council to settle a dispute between the Technion and its 1,600-man administrative staff failed yesterday, with council secretary Eliezer Molk rejecting an offer by Technion President Amos Horev.

The staff members are demanding free tuition for their children at any university in the country. The Labour Council had decided on Tuesday to declare a dispute, but put off official notices until the meeting between Molk and Horev. At this meeting the Technion head repeated his offer of a scholarship fund to help staff children finance their university studies.

If no settlement is reached in a fortnight — and Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz is known to be pressing for one — the Technion staff will strike.

Meanwhile, the Technion's more than 800 technicians and engineers were to stop work at 10 this morning to attend a general meeting, called by their work representatives, who recently broke away from the general staff union. They are demanding a separate labour contract to cover their specific professional problems, and they want free university tuition for their children. They also have demands for "eliminating discrimination" — now officially backed by the Labour Council — in the case of the Technion administrative staff. This new battle seems to be the gaping ground for staff committees unable to put forward demands for hard cash, because of the official wage freeze.

The Technion spokesman declined to comment on either of the two disputes yesterday.

Firemen suspend sanctions as BLUE BAND LOCKOUT THREATENED

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The country's firemen yesterday decided to end their week-old partial strike pending investigation of their demands.

Their decision followed negotiations yesterday with the Histadrut and the Ministry of Interior. The government representatives agreed to set up a committee to look into the firemen's demands for more pay and additional manpower. The firemen, who had earlier threatened to intensify their action today, agreed to return to normal work on condition the committee submit its findings within two weeks.

The workers continued their strike yesterday after the Haifa Labour Council refused to support their demand for strike pay. The works committee had made strike pay a condition for resuming work while the dispute is being settled.

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Meshel: Europe marvels at our labour relations

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT, Jerusalem Post Reporter

SHEFAVIM. — Histadrut Secretary-General Yoram Meshel said yesterday there has been a sharp decline in labour disputes. Addressing the Histadrut Council here, he said, "Labour relations (in Israel) are such that all of Europe wants to learn how the Histadrut achieved" this.

Mr. Meshel acknowledged there has been mounting criticism of the Histadrut's role in handling strikes (the Histadrut opposed the strikes in EL AL and the Ashkelon oil pipeline terminal). But he argued that the labour federation must take the country's economic situation into account.

"In an unstable economy, you cannot guarantee workers a high standard of living," he said. He conceded that enterprises forced to cut back production must dismiss workers, but stressed that the principle of "last in, first out" must be maintained.

The Secretary-General criticized public enterprises, which decline to deal directly with their workers, but pass the buck to the labour federation.

He also stressed that the Histadrut "will not relax its demand that people earning over IL20,000 a year be taxed more heavily than proposed by the Ben-Shahar committee."

The council was asked to approve technological changes in Histadrut factories, to enable them to export. Another proposal was to transfer hundreds of building workers from the centre of the country to outlying areas where there are jobs.

Ephraim Reiner, Secretary-General of Hevrat Ovdim, said existing metal factories producing for export have orders for three years. The foreign buyers have been pressing for earlier delivery dates. With few technological changes, he said, factories producing for the home market could produce for export. But he anticipated suspicion and hesitation among workers fearing changes in norms, premiums and salaries.

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from the objects of their planning, and the gap between what a lot of experts living in North Tel Aviv think is right for people in towns from Kiryat Shmona to Ophra... yet we have made no dent in that attitude," von Schwarze said.

What was planned had no relation to the living needs of the population and their future, he said. He added: "We have lost hope that a housing quarter in Ofakim based on the needs as we found them. It would not have to be our plan — it's our approach and basis for planning that matters."

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By YA'ACOV ARDON, Jerusalem Post Reporter

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The remark — originally applied to turn-of-the-century German slums — was cited by Technion architecture student Moshe Hazani, in accepting the Architecture Faculty's annual Munio Gittai-Weisraub Prize for a study on the development of town of Ofakim.

The panel of judges for the IL5,500 prize, Hazani dwelt on the web of bureaucratic procedures which far-away planners use in planning for a population whose needs they completely disregard.

"Nobody tries to bridge the growing gap between planning-concepts and living reality," he said. The bureaucrats, he charged, think in abstract terms of "solutions" for people about whom they do not in the least care. Or Yehuda, he thought, was only one example of the dogmatism that is applied to development towns.

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"landlord" was repulsive they wanted a new and which everyone owned home, thereby obstructing. Most of the land is of State, she noted, but keeping land prices in Lands Authority partly general speculation. "I ment housing companie given free land and capil sold the homes they bu the market would be couples had been turned they asked for land as build their own homes near their own. The Government, shams through its own in pines. All this she ask motivated by millions regard for what people and wanted."

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ISRAEL WEEKLY LOTTERY

1st PRIZE HALF MILLION

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Naval of course com

HAIFA. — Chief of the Mordechai Gur said that not only Israel's enemies and the big Defence Forces, which face any test.

Speaking at a passing of a group of new Navy a naval base, R/A Gur importance of quality — and technical — in arm men and officers. He Navy's role from the illegal immigration. runners brought the sun Holocaust to these. Navy Aluf Benyamin addressed the graduat course, which is the IDF — 20 months.

The Chief of Staff at several hundred 12th g Savy Theatre in Hol but reporters who had by the Holon Municipali away at the door told the Army had sent barring journalists from the lecture, but the intio office neglected to tell thly.

Probe in embezzler at State I

Jerusalem Post Re TEL AVIV. — Police at ting the alleged embe some IL250,000 by a s played by the State I According to State I the embezzler forged th of the party leader, Horowitz and Zahava the cheque she had sile for herself. The secret portedly returned most IS by mortgaging her car.

As soon as the embes discovered last Febru leaders informed the po State Comptroller.

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Ireland's first envoy accredited

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The first Irish Ambassador to Israel, William Warnock, presented his credentials to President Ephraim Katsir at Beit Hanaasi yesterday morning.

The two countries decided late last year to exchange diplomatic representatives, and the Irish Ambassador in London, Gideon Rafael, presented his credentials to the Irish President in Dublin last month.

At this stage the representation is at the level of non-resident ambassadors. Mr. Warnock represents his country in Switzerland, but will visit Israel at least three or four times a year.

Warnock met with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin at noon yesterday for a 20-minute talk. The two men had met before, when they both served in Washington as ambassadors of their countries.

The Irish decision to establish full diplomatic relations with Jerusalem is part of a new Irish drive worldwide. This has been accentuated by Irish membership of the EEC, which has left the Irish diplomatic service short of personnel.

In addition to relations with Israel, Ireland has recently opened an embassy in Beirut, and is establishing similar double accreditation agreements with Egypt, and a number of other Arab states. Warnock explained that this is a gesture, a step forward in broadening Irish diplomatic activity.

His current 10-day visit is viewed by the Ambassador as a familiarization tour to break the ice. The working visits which will follow will deal, among other matters, with bilateral trade, which has grown over the last few years to some \$10m. a year, and Israel's relations with the Common Market.

Despite Ireland's vote in favour of the UN general assembly permitting an address by PLO chief Yasser Arafat, Warnock does not find that Israel is unhappy with his country's record in the Arab-Israeli diplomatic arena. Ireland, he avows, has always rejected any attempts at the UN, or in any of its bodies, to call in question the integrity of Israel. As an example of this, he notes that Ireland refused to back the Arab resolutions about Jerusalem at Unesco.

Here with his wife Dorothy, Warnock will tour Galilee and meet the diplomatic corps in Tel Aviv before returning to his base in Bern.

Tel Aviv D.A. Kedmi named C.I.D. chief

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv District Attorney Ya'acov Kedmi has been appointed head of the Investigations Department at National Police Headquarters, it was announced here yesterday.

He will be taking over from Commander Arye Shor, who is retiring. Mr. Kedmi, who will receive the rank of Commander (Nitzav), is the second outsider to join the force with such a high rank. The first was Mula Cohen, head of the Civil Guard.

The appointment is in keeping with the policy of Police Inspector-General Shaul Rosolio to bolster the force with outside professionals. Asked if he did not think the country's number one detective should be an experienced police officer, Mr. Kedmi replied, "To be a good attorney is to be a good detective."

During the War of Independence, Kedmi served in the Armoured Corps. From 1956 to 1969 he served as the Army's Judge Advocate General and since 1969 as Tel Aviv District Attorney.

Appeal to Dutch Embassy in Moscow to help Jews

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Immigrants from the Soviet Union have appealed to the Dutch Government to instruct its embassy in Moscow to provide protection to Soviet Jews with Israeli citizenship. The Dutch Embassy represents Israel interests in the USSR.

The appeal was issued by the action committee of newcomers from the Soviet Union. The committee also requested that invitations sent from Israel to relatives in the USSR be relayed through the Dutch Embassy, rather than through the Soviet postal system.

Without these invitations the arduous process of applying for an emigration permit cannot even be started. Lately, such invitations have

not been reaching their destinations and it is believed that the Soviets are intercepting the mail.

Today, five recent arrivals from the USSR will demonstrate outside the Prime Minister's office in Jerusalem to demand that the government "take the most drastic measures necessary to have the cruel and unjust sentences against Mark Vasser and Boris Tsilyonov annulled." The two were sentenced to five years of exile on March 31 for taking part in a demonstration in Moscow.

Tsilyonov and Nakhapits have been Israeli citizens for the past four years. Their friends who will be demonstrating on their behalf today argue that "the future of the aliya movement in the USSR depends on these two Jews."

Welfare agency exceeded its authority in adoption case

The Jerusalem District Court has severely censured a municipal agency for putting a child up for adoption without so much as notifying his parents, and ordered the agency to allow the parents to see their little girl.

Judge Yussif Haj Yehya ruled yesterday, on the petition of the parents, that the Department for Family and Community Services had seriously exceeded its authority by initiating adoption procedures without consulting the ward's na-

tural parents, who are residents of Jerusalem, and without obtaining a court order. But the interim order he issued yesterday only allows the parents to see the six-year-old girl once a week, and it will expire when the court rules on the adoption application of the prospective parents.

The applicants, who have six children, turned their youngest over to the Department of Family Services for placement in a foster home in 1972, when the mother became ill and the family was destitute. The child was three at the time they claim they visited her from time to time until November, 1974, when they were informed that the child had been put up for adoption and they could no longer see her.

Employees of the department also told them they would be subpoenaed to appear in the District Court when their daughter's case came up for adoption. The department contended that the parents had abandoned their child and they were operating in her best interests. (Nfm)

Trial opens of accused Netanya bomber

TEL AVIV. — Avraham Ezra, accused of lobbing a grenade into the Bar Orion in his home town of Netanya, sat looking at the floor in the District Court here yesterday as his counsel denied the charges of murder and causing serious bodily harm brought against him. Many of the six young people killed and 28 injured in the February 4 discotheque blast had been his own relatives.

According to the prosecution, Ezra, 25, was on the morning before the blast charged with threatening the owner, but was released on bail. Ezra allegedly met with several friends behind the basement nightclub that evening and told them he planned to avenge the complaint against him.

After spending an hour and a half in the crowded club, it is charged, he went outside, removed a rooftop ventilator-screen, and dropped in a live grenade. The Court yesterday rejected a defence motion that some of the charges be dropped. But it agreed to send Ezra for psychiatric examination before the next session of the trial.

The defence attorney said Ezra had collapsed emotionally in the Kfar Yassur lockup and was now in the psychiatric wing of the Ramla Jail. The short and once-stocky defendant, who appeared in Court wearing a dirty and stained T-shirt, appeared to have lost a great deal of weight since his arrest. (Nfm)

Druse to light a Mt. Herzl beacon Self-sacrifice is theme of Independence Day fetes

By JUDY SIEGEL, Jerusalem Post Reporter
We will have to make do with leftover fireworks and fewer paid entertainers to light up next week Independence Day celebrations. But there will be more canned music and street decorations, and the organizers of the festivities hope we'll cheer up and make merry anyway.

Yehuda Han, who has chaired the Independence Day Committee since the State of Israel's 15th birthday, told reporters in Jerusalem yesterday that the theme for this 27th birthday, reflected in the choice of persons who will light torches at the Mount Herzl inaugural event on Tuesday evening, is "Volunteering and Personal Sacrifice." Those selected range from a 17-year-old high school girl who organized refreshment stands for soldiers, to a Druse Border Patrol officer (the first non-Jew ever chosen for the ceremony) who evacuated wounded soldiers under fire in 1970.

A two-minute siren, signalling the lowering of flags to half-mast and the bowing of heads will mark the beginning of Remembrance Day for Israel's Fallen at 8 p.m. on Monday. Solemn assemblies and prayer services throughout the country will be held simultaneously with the lighting of a memorial candle at the Western Wall to be attended by the President and the Chief of Staff. A torch will be carried by a series of runners from Yad LeShalom in Rishon Le Zion to various war memorials. Radio and TV programmes will feature Israel's battle for freedom and independence in solemnity with the occasion.

Memorial services at military cemeteries, attended by the Prime Minister and other Government and Army officials, will commence on Tuesday morning at 11, following another two-minute siren blast. Flags will be lowered and a memorial torch lit at all schools.

Unlike last year, when Independence Day was separated from Remembrance Day by half a day due to low spirits after the Yom Kippur War, the schedule of events will revert to its previous pattern. Mt. Herzl will symbolize the close of the solemn event and the onset of the celebrations. The 12 torches, knelt by little-known but self-sacrificing volunteers from throughout the country, symbolize the 12 Tribes of Israel.

President Ephraim Katsir will speak to the nation at 8:05 on TV and radio. From 8:30, live broadcasts will come from entertainment events from all parts of Israel. Platforms for dancing and singing are already being set up in nearly every city and town. A kumzitz will bring together hundreds of persons at the Vale of Rehavia in Jerusalem at midnight; similar campfires will be held in Haifa, Acre, Kiryat Gat and Tel Aviv.

Fireworks lovers will be disappointed this year; due to the doubling of price of imported fireworks, only a few dozen localities will have displays, all using those left over from last year. The Government Information Centre has, however, obtained enough for displays in Eilat, Ofakim, Shlomi and a



The Independence Day 1975 poster, 35,000 copies of which are now being distributed locally and abroad. The full-colour poster was designed by V. Tormovsky and Son from drawings done by pupils of the Luria elementary school in Jerusalem.

few other development towns in need of cheering. The highlighted events on Wednesday will be the World Bible Contest, at which 28 young Jewish scholars from 17 countries will vie for the Bible crown; the President's traditional reception for the diplomatic corps; the award ceremony of the Israel Prize at the Jerusalem Theatre (to be televised); and the Broadcasting Festival of Songs, "I Sing for Thee My Country."

Picnics, mayoral receptions, museum exhibitions, film festivals and sports events will be held in most centres. For those who insist on prolonging the fun, a few more scattered events will take place throughout the country for more than two weeks after Independence Day itself.

Boning up on the Bible for International Quiz

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Some 25 boys and girls from Israel and other countries have been selected from over 100,000 candidates throughout the world to take part in the finals of the 12th International Youth Bible Quiz on Independence Day in Jerusalem.

The youngsters are currently poring over their Bibles at the specially set-up "Bible Camp" at the Gdina base in Ju'ara, in the Hills of Menashe.

The camp also serves as a meeting ground for Israel and Jewish youth from the Diaspora, and as a base for sightseeing tours in the north.

Aluf-Mishne Yeshayahu Tadmor, O.C. Gdina, which is running the quiz, told a press conference at the camp that this year the Bible Quiz will be the central event of the Independence celebrations both for "practical and moral" reasons. He said that since the Yom Kippur

War the Israel public seems to be yearning for a spiritual and moral revival.

"What can be more uplifting than the Bible, and more popular and exciting than a quiz?", he asked.

Israel TV will broadcast two hourly excerpts of the quiz from the Jerusalem Theatre, and the Army broadcasting station will run it live.

The boys and girls, aged 13 to 17, will be tested on their knowledge of about half the contents of Bible. Interviewed by reporters yesterday, the foreign entrants conversed easily in Hebrew. Many come from religious families, attend Jewish schools and intend settling in Israel when they complete their education.

One of the three Israeli candidates said that, from what he had seen of the visitors, "they know the Bible very well indeed. It'll be tough, and I'd be happy to take third place," he admitted.

Bathing season opens tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The bathing season officially opens at the city's beaches tomorrow, but the two beaches north of the Yarkon will remain closed to the public because of pollution.

Bathing will be permitted at the Hilton, Sheraton, Gordon and Givat Aliya beaches, but no bathing will be allowed for another year at the Tel Baruch and Country Club beaches. Health Ministry officials say that the sea off the last two beaches is still contaminated by the sewage pumped from the area around the Reading IV power station.

The beaches where bathing is permitted have received a thorough cleaning, and new playgrounds and other facilities provided. The Rehov Gordon beach will have a new first aid station this year, and Jaffa's Givat Aliya beach has new ramps for invalids using wheelchairs.

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Tzur to be held until trial ends

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Michael Tzur, former head of the Israel Corporation, yesterday remained in custody until the end of his trial. District Judge Dov Levin agreed to police request in view of the seriousness of the charges.

Tzur, 52, is charged with fraud, embezzlement, accepting bribes and including fraudulently transacting Kibbutz from IC, Zim and the Kibbutz to Vaduz trust company associated with Tibor Roem-

er Assistant District Attorney Schratzler told the court that Tzur is released, he might documents or influence with the charges derive from his own testimony to the police.

Defense counsel Erwin Shimonovitch said that this last fact shows his client is not likely to in-

fluence state witnesses to change their testimony.

Judge Levin granted Mr. Shimonovitch's request that he be allowed adequate time with Tzur to prepare a proper defence, and that Tzur be given a medical examination.

Tzur was subdued in court and exchanged only a few words with his lawyer. Dressed in an open blue shirt, he looked very pale and depressed, and has lost quite a lot of weight since he was detained seven weeks ago.

Tel Aviv District Attorney Ya'acov Kedmi said yesterday that the police will continue to investigate all those offences of which Tzur is suspected, beyond those in the present indictment, and including those for which he cannot be tried because of the statute of limitations. These include a suspicion that Tzur took a bribe of IL5,000 to leak news of the 1962 devaluation. At that time he was Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce.

ate may claim gifts to its officials

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Public servants, who receive gifts of the functions which discharge in State employ, will to hand them over as State property under a proposed law now circulating between Government departments in preliminary

proposed legislation would cover gifts received abroad by public servants and all members of families, but would not in-sure of limited value.

in the U.S. Congress enacted that similar legislation in 1967, prohibited gifts were limited to given to U.S. public servants reign governments only. proposed legislation would a wide range of elected and ated office-holders, as well as all categories of civil servants.

Prof. Morgenthau Haifa University

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A. — Prof. Hans Morgenthau, noted political scientist and at the Universities of New and Chicago, is to teach at University during the third star of the current year. will give the first lecture of course on "Introduction to International Relations" next Monday

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Rebels cut Cambodia's supply link to Thailand

PHNOM PENH. — Khmer Rouge insurgents cut Cambodia's overland supply route to Thailand on Wednesday and pressed toward Phnom Penh from three directions, military sources said.

Unconfirmed reports said the insurgents around the capital and its airport had begun firing mortar and recoilless rifles — short range weapons that are more accurate than the rockets and artillery they had been using.

Fresh insurgent troops reportedly moved to the east bank of the Mekong River across from Phnom Penh and engaged in round-the-clock fighting with government troops. Military sources also reported insurgent pressure southeast of Phnom Penh and slight penetrations of the capital's northwest defense perimeter.

The insurgents cut Route 5 linking the province capital of Battambang with the Thai border, but military sources said government forces launched a drive to reopen it. The road and a parallel railway line have been used to haul foodstuffs and other supplies from Thailand to Battambang and from there by air to Phnom Penh.

Western observers believe the rebels need only a concerted effort to capture Battambang, Cambodia's second city 288 km. northwest of Phnom Penh. Fighting also was reported throughout nearby Oddor Mean Chey Province, which borders Thailand.

Thailand's military command has sent 3,000 troops to Aran Yaprathet across the border from the one-day Cambodian town of Poipet, now a bulging center for Cambodians preparing to flee to Thailand.

Fighting continued yesterday in the eastern end of Kompong Speu, a province capital 48 km. southwest of Phnom Penh. Western observers were puzzled why the insurgent command was attacking targets in the provinces rather than moving all its forces against Phnom Penh.

In Bangkok, Thai Foreign Minister Charoat Choonhavan said Prime Minister Long Boret conferred on Monday with guerrilla officials in secret talks that might lead to a negotiated settlement.

Cambodian Information Minister Thong Lim Huong issued an official denial of the report. Informed sources in Phnom Penh declined to confirm the reports. But government sources said Long Boret discussed the possibility of opening talks with the insurgents. (AP, UPI)

Portuguese arrest 31 more in coup

LISBON (UPI). — The military security forces arrested 31 soldiers and three civilians in dawn raids yesterday and accused them of being implicated in last month's abortive coup.

As the military made the new arrests, the National Law Association called a news conference to accuse the government of violating basic human rights in the arbitrary arrest of left-wing students opposed to the Communist party. More than 100 students have been seized in the last few days.

The news director of the National Television Network said he has resigned because the Communists have taken complete control of broadcasting.



Rice soup is doled out at a refugee camp near Phnom Penh. Food supplies have been short recently in the area around the besieged capital. (UPI)

Vatican reaffirms church censorship of books

VATICAN CITY (UPI). — The Vatican said yesterday that bishops have a God-given right to ban books "attacking the true faith or good morals." It authorized national hierarchies to draw up lists of censors to advise individual bishops.

In a decree approved by Pope Paul VI, the Sacred Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, successor to the medieval Inquisition, strongly reaffirmed the need for church approval of any books dealing with religion or morals.

The task has been in the hands of national bishops' conferences since the Vatican discontinued its index of forbidden books in 1966

as inadequate in the face of the avalanche of modern literature. The decree said any Roman Catholic writing a book about religious or moral issues must clear it either with his own bishop or with the bishop of the place of publication. If one bishop has denied permission, the other must be informed of that fact.

The decree also ruled that Roman Catholics "cannot write in newspapers or periodicals which manifestly and usually attack the Catholic religion or morals, except for just and reasonable grounds." Priests and monks must seek permission from their bishops to write in such publications.

No royal idleness for Faisal's 8 sons

By NICK LUDINGTON
JEDDAH (AP). — One legacy left to Saudi Arabia by assassinated King Faisal is eight working princes, his sons.

The eldest, Abdullah, about 50, is a businessman and poet, and the others, all educated in the West, are scattered throughout the bureaucracy and armed forces.

The careers of Faisal's offspring contrast sharply with those of the sons of King Saud, Faisal's brother who preceded him on the throne. Most of Saud's 50 sons are more busy spending their generous royal allowances in night clubs abroad than working in offices at home. Several are notorious playboys.

Most prominent of King Faisal's sons is Prince Saud, 34, a 1965 Princeton graduate in economics. He spent eight years in the Petroleum Ministry, rising to deputy minister in 1970 under Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani, and has now been named Minister of State for Foreign Affairs.

A tall carbon-copy of his father, Saud is equally at home with Western diplomats and Bedouin tribesmen, equally comfortable in Bond Street suits and desert robes. King Faisal's eldest son, Abdul-

lah, runs an asbestos factory, an oil-tanker enterprise, a contracting firm, import concessions and real estate. In addition, he writes what a Saudi newspaper editor called first-rate poetry.

The next brother, Prince Mohammed, graduated from Memo College in California. He is chief of Saudi Arabia's huge programme of desalination plants to use seawater for cities and farming.

Prince Khaled studied at both Princeton and Oxford. He is Governor of Saudi Arabia's "green province" of Asir, south of Jeddah in the hills along the Red Sea.

Prince Abdul-Rahman graduated from the British military college at Sandhurst in 1963 and is commander of the army tank corps.

Prince Saad attended Princeton and Cambridge and is deputy governor of Petromin, the state-sponsored enterprise to exploit oil and minerals. Prince Bandar attended Cranwell Royal Air Force College in Britain, after schools in the United States and is a serving Air Force officer.

Prince Turki, the youngest, studied at Princeton, New York and Georgetown Universities. He is an aide to Royal Counsellor Kamal Adham, head of Saudi intelligence.

Nixon made secret promise to Vietnam

WASHINGTON (Reuter). — Former President Nixon secretly promised South Vietnam that the U.S. would react vigorously to any major violations by Hanoi of the Vietnam peace agreement, the White House said yesterday.

Disclosing contacts between Mr. Nixon and South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu, White House spokesman Ron Nessen refused to say if the promised reaction included the reintroduction of U.S. combat forces into Indochina after the 1973 pullout.

The disclosure came as President Gerald Ford conferred with his National Security Council on ways that beleaguered South Vietnam might be helped, amid signs that Congress would continue to resist providing more military aid.

Nessen told newsmen that a congressional law of 1973 "of course ruled out the possibility of American military reaction to violations of the agreement."

He did not give the date of Nixon's promises to President Thieu, but they were made before Congress barred U.S. combat activity in Indochina in the summer of 1973.

Mr. Nessen's remarks came the day after Democratic Senator Henry Jackson of Washington said secret commitments existed between the U.S. and South Vietnam.

Nessen was asked if President Ford would want to send troops back or resume bombing — if he

had the authority — in view of Communist advances and what he has called outrageous violations of the peace agreement by Hanoi.

The spokesman referred to a statement made by the President last week that he had no inclination as well as no authority to intervene.

Nessen said the private and public pledges made by the Nixon Administration to Saigon were "to continue to provide adequate support and react vigorously to major violations of the Paris agreement."

For the last two weeks President Ford has been stressing what he called a moral commitment for the U.S. to provide more military aid to Saigon to enable it to resist the Communist offensive.

In addition to meeting the National Security Council, the President called Democratic and Republican leaders to the White House to discuss the Vietnam situation.

Patty Hearst said on way to Algeria

SAN FRANCISCO (AP). — A television news reporter said Tuesday night she had received an "unconfirmed report" that fugitive Patty Hearst, accompanied by radical sports figure Jack Scott and his wife Michel, will fly into Algeria within a matter of hours.

Marilyn Baker, who won an award for her reporting of the Hearst heiress' kidnapping last year, said officials in Algeria had refused to comment on the report that the trio might seek asylum in that country.

Charles Bates, agent in charge of the FBI office in San Francisco, said he had no knowledge of the report and that it was the first he heard connecting Miss Hearst with Algeria.

Miss Hearst, daughter of "San Francisco Examiner" president and editor Randolph Hearst, has been sought since she was kidnapped from her apartment in Berkeley, California, on February 4, 1974. A few weeks after her abduction she sent word that she had joined her father's Liberation Army kidnapers and adopted the name Tania.

Fingerprints of Miss Hearst and the Scotts reportedly were among those found in a rented farmhouse near South Canaan, Pennsylvania, last month. The New York City Sirens who won the house had said he rented it to a woman named Michel Scott.



Chiang Kai-shek lies in state at the Sun Yat-sen Memorial. (AP)

One million line stretch for Chiang's cortege

TAIPEI. — The body of Chiang Kai-shek was driven to lie in state here yesterday through streets packed with thousands of flags at half-staff and lined by over one million students, servicemen and school children.

The funeral cortege was accompanied by the Generalissimo's widow, Madame Chiang, and his son, Premier Chiang Ching-kuo. Chiang died of a heart attack on Saturday, aged 87.

The new president, 70-year-old Yen Chia-kuan, wiped away tears as he followed leading mourning government leaders.

The open coffin stood on a catafalque, as elderly colleagues of Generalissimo Chiang-in the pre-

1949 era, before the Communist drove them from the mainland, some weeping openly supported by aides.

The body will lie in state here until April 18.

The bespectacled and scholarly Yen, was sworn in with the Generalissimo's death both he and Premier Ching have already reaffirmed leader's staunch anti-Communist stand.

Nationalist forces stationed Taiwan-held offshore islands may and Matsuo, within sight of Chinese mainland, have carried out President Chiang at memorial meetings in few days, according to sources.

The Generalissimo's lament, displayed in large characters above his coffin, morale and faith of his people not be shaken by his death of the sacred task of exterminating Communism and recovering mainland is gaining momentum by day.

In Tokyo the newspaper Shimbun said yesterday, "Feking are enraged at the by Japan's ruling party to special envoy to Taipei to its condolences." (Reu)

Britain settles up oil firm

LONDON. — Britain took steps to set up oil company which Energy Minister Eric Varley said would produce surplus running into millions of pounds a year by the 1980s.

The British National Oil is the main item in the hour Government's program for securing effective control of gas resources in the North Sea. Britain's coast. Under the plan, the company will have powers to explore, produce petroleum as well as pipelines, tankers and

THERE'S ROYAL BLOOD IN THOSE REPUBLICAN VEINS

LONDON (UPI). — Former U.S. President Richard Nixon has royal blood. He is a direct descendant of King Edward III of England, is related to Queen Elizabeth, to Sir Winston Churchill, and to George Washington.

Washington himself was descended from four kings, and Abraham Lincoln from one. They were mere commoners compared with President James Monroe, who had nine kings on his family tree.

The experts of Burke's Peerage, the 150-year-old reference work on England's nobility, made these claims yesterday in a new book which traces royal blood in the veins of 12 American presidents.

Nixon is 20th in line of descent from Edward III, who died in 1377, the book said. He is hardly unique.

"Similar claims can be made by thousands of others," said Hugh Montgomery-Massingberd, editor of "Burke's Presidential

Families of the United States of America," a 676-page reference book being published next week.

Most of the new book is a series of study of the 37 American presidents and their families. Page after page of tiny type lists every descendant of every President down to the present day — and lists each president's brothers and sisters and all their descendants.

But an appendix of simplified presidential family trees stretching far into the past shows the White House fairly awash in royal forebears.

Thomas Jefferson, William Howard Taft and Ulysses S. Grant all descended from David I of Scotland, who died in 1153. James Garfield had the earliest royal ancestor traced — King Henry I of France, who died in 1080.

"These are amusing and really quite simple exercises," Montgomery-Massingberd said of such family trees. "They show little more than the universal kinship of man."

As an instance, Presidents Lincoln, Washington, Monroe and John Quincy Adams all numbered the same king among their forebears — Edward I of England, who died in 1307.

"But Washington's lineage is the most spectacular of all the presidents," Montgomery-Massingberd said. "It goes back to 1180 at least, and probably even further, to the kings of Scotland. It is a lineage the grandest peer would be proud of."

The new Burke's reference work is not designed for frivolous purchase any more than it is for trivia purposes. Its price is \$39.95 — though a deluxe edition of 450 copies will cost \$190 each.

Montgomery-Massingberd said President Ford — who has no known royal blood anywhere, according to the new book — will get one of the leather-bound deluxe editions as a gift.

Amnesty claims both Israel and Syria guilty of abuses

LONDON (JTA). — An Amnesty International commission of inquiry into allegations of ill-treatment and torture made by Israeli and Syrian prisoners of war captured during the October War has concluded that "both countries were guilty of certain abuses."

The commission's report was published yesterday. The report said Syria's five-month-long refusal to allow the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) to visit captured Israelis was a major breach of an international safeguard that would have lessened the opportunities for torture and bad detention conditions.

The 34-page report, prepared by a three-man, international commission which visited both countries last autumn and interviewed prisoners of war who had leveled torture charges, said that the two countries had failed to observe fully the safeguards contained in the third Geneva convention on POWs. These violations of the third Geneva convention are "extremely serious, in that they created circumstances under which ill-treatment and torture could more easily occur," the report said.

The Amnesty commission was composed of a Norwegian, Ashbjorn Elide, director of the International Peace Research Institute in Oslo, Swedish lawyer Peter Nobel of Uppsala, and Dutch physician Kees van Vuuren of Rotterdam. They visited Israel and Syria during a two-week period last October and interviewed 25 former Israeli and 21 former Syrian POWs, as well as three Syrian civilians who claim to have been kidnapped by withdrawing Israeli forces in the summer of 1974. The report said that because of, among other reasons, the length of time that had elapsed between the occurrence of the alleged abuses and the examination of ex-prisoners by the commission, and because of the scarcity

of medical documentation, the commission had not been able to obtain "absolute proof" that the alleged ill-treatment and torture had taken place. Yet the commission found reasonable ground to reach certain conclusions.

At least some of the former POWs from both sides were subjected to brutality in the form of beating, kicking and threats, especially during transportation.

Most of the former Israeli POWs in Syria stated that they had suffered systematic torture during interrogation, especially in the form of falaka (beating of the soles of the feet) or electric shocks. The commission found the individual testimonies to be consistent in themselves and among one another. In some cases the findings of the medical examination appear to corroborate complaints by Israeli POWs of certain kinds of beating.

The commission notes the allegations of torture made by former Syrian POWs in Israel and finds that the testimonies given by Syrian commandos described the more brutal treatment, which in one case appears to be corroborated by the medical findings. The testimonies given by three Syrian civilians captured by Israeli forces contain allegations of "a very serious nature." One complaint of burning with cigarettes appears to be corroborated by the findings of the medical examination.

Finally, the commission found that the complaints made by the former Israeli POWs in Syria about certain kinds of deprivation, including lack of food, water and hygienic facilities, and the complaints made by the former Syrian POWs in Israel about overcrowded and otherwise "unsatisfactory conditions of detention" appear to be mostly corroborated by the reports of the POWs held in both countries by the delegations of the ICRC.

as well as in letters to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Syrian President Hafez Assad. Amnesty Secretary General Martin Ennals stressed: "The purpose of this report is not to condemn and seek retribution for what happened in the past, but to create awareness of the need to prevent similar abuses from occurring in the future."

Ennals points out that, although permission and cooperation was requested prior to the October visit, Amnesty had not been given an opportunity to investigate properly allegations of ill-treatment and torture of civilian prisoners detained in both countries. He expresses the hope that the two governments might enable Amnesty to investigate questions relating to the situation of civilian prisoners in either country in the near future.

The report concludes with a series of recommendations to the two governments that they take steps to secure the full implementation of the third Geneva Convention on POWs.

The Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent adds:

Although the text of the report had not reached Jerusalem last night, Foreign Ministry spokesman, a preliminary comment on the basis of news agency despatches, said that Amnesty's ostentatious efforts to prove neutrality had impaired its objectivity.

The official said that Amnesty had "bent over backwards to give an impression of balance and had not evaluated the offenses which it attributed to each of the parties."

Amnesty failed to spell out the fact that Syrian offenses were greater than the ones attributed to Israel. It also failed to underline the fact that the way in which testimony was gathered in Israel, about Syrian offenses, was based on far more sound procedures, than the probe it carried out in Syria regarding the charges against Israel, the official said.

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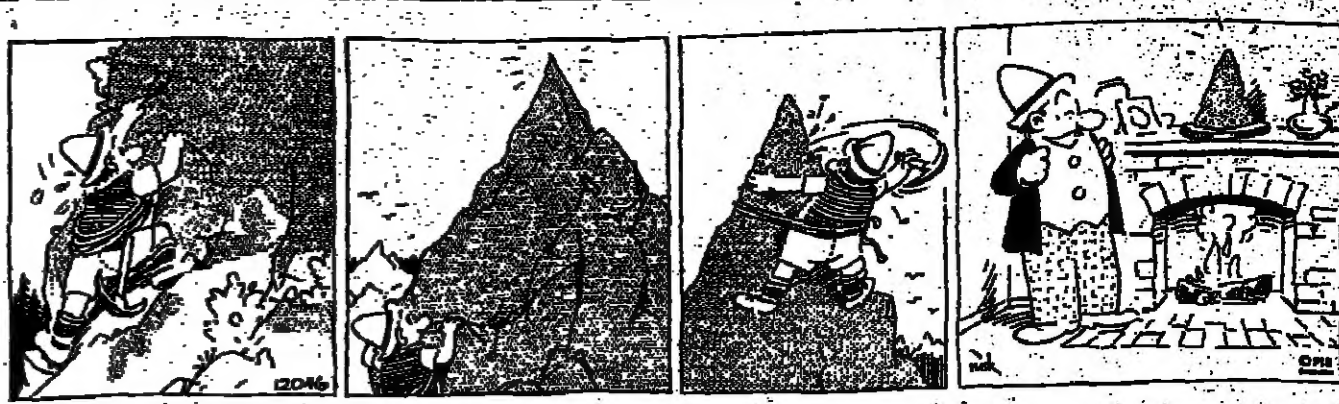
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SUEZ QUESTIONS

EGYPT IS now clearly intent on exploiting to the full the gains to be made in courting world public opinion by its decision to reopen the Suez Canal. The reopening of the Canal is being presented more or less as an act of Egyptian generosity to user states in Europe, Africa, Asia and the Americas. Conveniently left unstated is the fact that the prime gainer will be Egypt itself, which stands to receive massive inflows of much needed foreign currency from the Suez traffic, and the Soviet Union, which will finally have its short route to the Indian Ocean for its naval vessels. Also left unstated is the fact that reopening of the Canal was an explicit Egyptian undertaking in the disengagement agreement reached after the October war.

But the more important question will be whether the reopening of the Canal will be taken by Egypt itself as a step in the process of peaceful progress that could be released in the area. It is for this reason that Egypt's decision to open the waterway to shipping must be contrasted to President Sadat's declaration that he intends to renew the mandate of the UN forces in the Sinai for only three months, despite the fact that in the original disengagement agree-

ment it was plain that the mandate should be renewed for a six-month period.

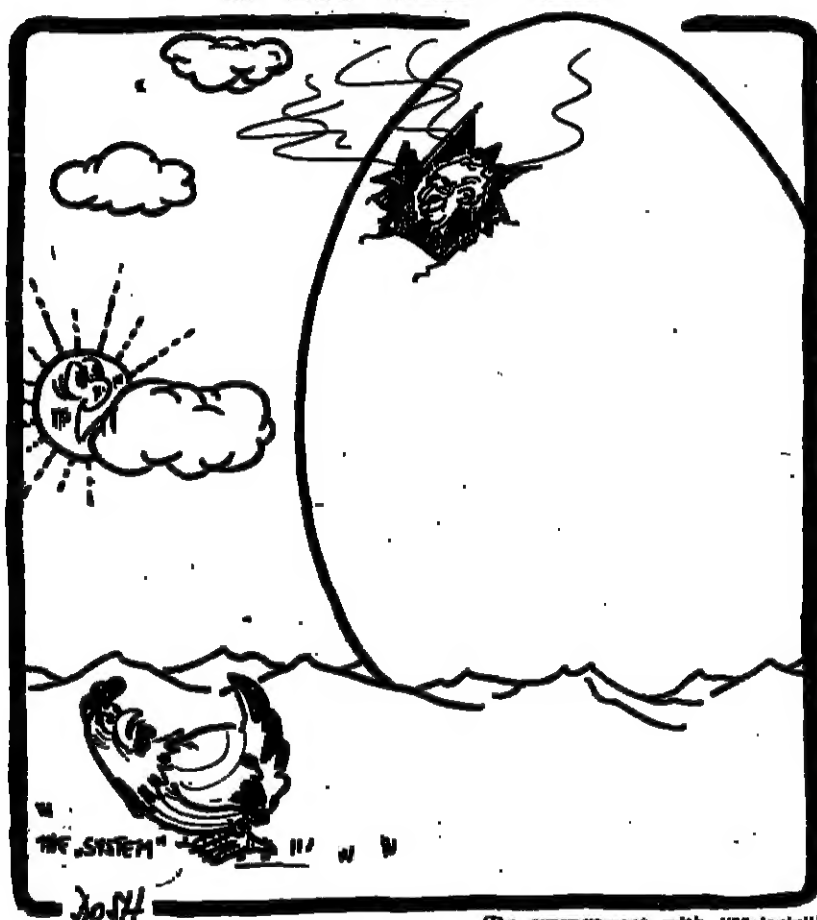
Mr. Sadat can of course be confident that his unilateral decision will have the support of the Soviet Union and most other members of the Security Council. And even the United States might be tempted to consider that in the present circumstances this is not an issue that should be the subject of a major dispute at the UN.

Yet it reflects Egypt's continuing desire to use the threat of war to gain its goals, even with an open Canal in the offing.

Moreover it reveals the weaknesses inherent in the present arrangements governing the UN forces. At present any of the contributing countries can recall their contingents unilaterally without Security Council approval. Moreover the presence of the forces can be easily erased by what amounts to unilateral cancellation of their mandate.

Any new agreement with Egypt that would include the continued stationing of a UN force in Sinai must therefore revise the basis on which such a force will operate. It must assure the durability of such a force, insulating it from unilateral actions that would nullify the very reasons for its presence in the area.

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ISRAEL PRESS

'Israel on the defensive'

DAVAE (Hizdard) notes that the intensified information campaign being waged by Israel at present, particularly in the U.S., has been for the most part defensive, creating the impression that for the time being political contacts in the region have entered a stage of suspension which might well lead to deadlock, with each side waiting for the other to take the initiative. The U.S. is unlikely to renew its initiative if there are no indications of change on both sides that would make such efforts successful.

"The Government has apparently decided not to close the option of a further partial agreement with Egypt. If this is the case, and if the Cabinet does not believe we should wait passively for the solution of Geneva, then there should be a new concrete Israeli initiative for a partial agreement and an active policy. Naturally, Israel cannot change her basic approach to the subject, but this approach can be expressed in different and in flexible forms.

"President Sadat has created an image of generosity and moderation for himself. Israel should now

present counter proposals equally flexible and moderate, to test how serious are his intentions." HAARETZ (Independent) says that new feelers are being put out to seek a way to find an interim settlement with Egypt, without waiting for the Geneva conference.

"If Washington and Cairo believe that Jerusalem will now be prepared to accept the Egyptian demands that caused the breakdown of the recent talks, they are mistaken. Even reluctance to go to Geneva — where Israel will undoubtedly be in the minority — will not persuade the Israeli Government to accept terms tomorrow which it found unacceptable yesterday, because of the risks involved.

"If Cairo were to respond to the Israeli proposals or put forward new offers that Israel could consider as the basis for a new response, the situation might change. If Washington is still interested in an interim agreement, it must ascertain whether Cairo is prepared for such a new approach — otherwise any new attempts are doomed to fail."

Will Portugal sing to the Soviet tune?

By WILLIAM FORRESTER LONDON.

IN THE EUROVISION song contest staged in Stockholm last month the Portuguese entry was a number called *Madrugada* (Dawn). The dawn in question was the one that came to Portugal last April 25 after the long night of Fascist dictatorship.

The song was composed and sung by a young member of the Armed Forces Movement, which overthrew the dictatorship, but though he put all his revolutionary fervor into the performance and had the melodious backing of four stunning beauties his *Madrugada* didn't stand a chance. It was presented in the original Portuguese, and of the 500 million people in 34 countries who heard it only a tiny fraction knew what it was all about.

The song, however, was a masterpiece of all too many of us as we survey the current Portuguese scene. We know that for almost half a century, from 1926 to 1974, the Portuguese Communist Party was banned; that being banned, it took no overt part in the April revolution; and that the opinion polls today give it at the very most 15 per cent of popular support.

And yet all over the globe today the question is being asked: Is Portugal going Communist? And Senator James Buckley is speaking for many anxious Americans when he says that "the Communist offensive in Portugal confronts the United States and the NATO allies with the gravest crisis since the end of the Second World War."

Can a minority group in one of the smallest countries in Europe really be as dangerous as that?

If numbers were the only thing that mattered then clearly there would be nothing to fear. But they are not. In 1917 the Bolsheviks were only a tiny minority of the Russian people, but they changed things there: discipline, determination and brilliant leadership.

The Communists of Portugal are equally endowed. Their party was only five years old when the Salazar era began, but it was the only party that kept up the struggle against the dictatorship from start to finish.

In 1969 the head of the political police announced that the back of the illegal CP had been broken, its leaders arrested and its clandestine printing presses destroyed. Some of the secret presses were indeed uncovered, with torture and death for the printers, but from 1941 onwards

the CP's monthly journal "Avante" (Forward) was always printed inside Portugal and never once failed to come out.

It is also true that in 1969 many of the party's leaders were in prison, among them Alvaro Cunhal, the secretary-general. He had then been in solitary confinement for six years and he suffered two more years of it before escaping abroad, first to Moscow, then to Prague.

Cunhal is acknowledged, even by rabid anti-Communists, to be the shrewdest politician in Portugal today. Since the April revolution he has outplayed his chief rival, the Socialist leader Mario Soares, at every turn.

The first legal issue of "Avante" after the revolution had a picture of Cunhal standing with one arm round a soldier and the other round a sailor. It was a symbol of the Communist Party's commitment to the Armed Forces Movement. The young officers of the AFM who had taken over the government of Portugal were duly impressed and responded with gratitude.

Their gratitude increased when they saw the Communists using their influence with the industrial workers to restrain wage demands and opposing the calls for instant revolution that came from the Maoists and Trotskyists on the extreme Left. Small wonder that the President of the Republic, General Costa Gomes, declares the "dynamic activity of the Communist Party" to be "indispensable" for Portugal.

Cunhal now voices the total support for the "constitutionalisation" of the AFM. He wants it to remain in being even after the forthcoming elections. The Socialists on the other hand make no secret of their desire to see the earliest possible end to military rule.

Thanks to their unswerving support for the AFM the Communists won the approval for the establishment of a single trade union confederation — under effective Communist control. The Socialists, glimpsing the spectre of a one-party State, strenuously opposed the move, but all in vain. The Communists had won a vital round in their fight for power.

And now, following the failure of the anti-Communist military coup, which was staged in the early days of the post-Communist officers in the AFM, the Socialists are openly voicing their fears of a drift towards Red dictatorship.

"Socialismo, si Dictadura, nao!" they shouted at a mass rally in Lisbon on March 21; and Soares,



With Lenin peering over his shoulder, Portuguese Communist Party boss Alvaro Cunhal addresses a meeting. (AP)

addressing the rally, cried: "We want a Portuguese Socialism, not the Russian or Chinese brand. Portugal's frontiers are not with Russia, they are with Spain and across the Atlantic with America."

Cunhal dismisses any thoughts of dictatorship. "We Communists," he says, "want democracy but not the West European type of democracy which leaves the capitalist monopolies and the big landowners untouched. In that we differ fundamentally from the Socialists."

The difference is fundamental indeed. Will Portugal go the way of Cuba, and throw to her lot with Russia, or remain wedded to the West? That's what the world is really asking now, and no wonder it hangs so anxiously on the answer. (Gerald)

READERS' LETTERS

Tragedy on the road

To The Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Several days ago, an article in *The Jerusalem Post* stated that the death rate from car accidents had dropped somewhat this past February from what it was in February 1974. Having just undergone the trauma, unbelievable tragedy and utter agony of losing a loved one, I am writing to you to express my gratitude for the information.

Our son was killed instantly — along with two other kibbutz candidates — while returning from a concert, riding in the back of a tender on March 2. One young mother also riding in the back is still lying unconscious in the hospital.

My first contention is that a tender is completely unsafe for humans. Second, the two-lane, two-way unlighted highway and dangerous crossroad leading to the kibbutz was the place where a large unlighted moving truck all of a sudden came on the scene, giving the driver no chance but to swerve away, thus putting the brunt of the collision on the back of the tender.

Israelis want young, idealistic, intelligent people to come here. Our son was brought up in an Orthodox,

Zionist, close-knit family. We were proud when both he and his sister decided to make Israel their home. Our son was a merit scholar and valedictorian; he was offered a William Fellowship to every type of graduate school. And, of course, he could have entered the family business and led a normal life, but he preferred to serve Israel with his beloved wife, in the kibbutz manner, and he had many plans for improving religious education in all the surrounding kibbutzim. Instead, he leaves a young widow and a five-month-old child.

I had occasion last night to travel the road to the kibbutz. I witnessed several large trucks with no back lights. I saw a large tender making an illegal U-turn on this same two-lane highway. I saw crazy drivers weave in and out at over 80 miles per hour. What I did not see was one police car or motorcycle cop.

Do you think I will encourage my friends and relatives to send their children to Israel? It is too late for my fine and gentle son. Perhaps I can spare other parents, widows, brothers and sisters the agony we are experiencing.

EUTH RUTMAN
Givat Shmuel (Cleveland, Ohio),
March 30.

Middle East dominoes

To The Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — American support for Israel is being questioned today by those who cannot understand how the U.S. managed to get on the right side. They think it is un-American to support any foreign government which is not in imminent danger of being overthrown by its own people or having its leaders assassinated by their relatives. Saudi Arabia's King Faisal was considered the king pin of American policy in the Arab oil states until he was murdered by his own nephew. The Lon Nol Government in Cambodia, and the Greek colonels went down the drain with massive American support. Pakistan's military dictatorship was supported by the U.S. as they were being shelled by India and their country was cut in half.

Israel has a democratic government wholeheartedly supported by people who know they can change it by democratic processes.

Traditional State Department policy does not like allies such as Israel. They prefer the kings and the colonels who lack support at home, demand massive American aid to stay in power today and fall like dominoes tomorrow. The U.S. gave no assistance to the newborn state of Israel in 1948 when it was almost destroyed by a combined invasion of Arab regular armies on all fronts. Instead, the U.S. embargoed arms to Israel. In 1956, the U.S. did nothing to help the Israelis fight terrorism from Egypt and forced Israel to withdraw from Sinai and Gaza after the Israelis had done the job of destroying the terrorist gangs there. In 1967, the U.S. did nothing to prevent a war after Egypt expelled the U.N. from Sinai, moved its troops in to attack Israel and declared a blockade of the Red Sea. In 1973, after the Israelis had stopped the Arab attack and were about to give them the beating they deserved, the U.S. intervened and forced a cease-fire to save the face of Egypt's Colonel Sadat.

The continuation of this policy is to find new dominoes to support in the Mideast. The next candidate is Yasser Arafat, who has shot his way into the U.N., but he has never shown that he represents the real interests of any large group of people who would choose him in a genuinely free election.

It is time to ask whether the American national interest would not better be served by giving the Israelis all the support they need, which is tiny compared with everything sent down the drain elsewhere, and to stop supporting and propping up the Arab dominoes who will fall in the next crisis.

HARRY J. LIPKIN
Rehovot, April 2.

HIGH SEASON RATES, LOW SEASON SERVICE

To The Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — What can you say to a tourist who has just paid top high season rates at a four-star hotel which advertises a swimming pool (it has no water: "We didn't expect the heatwave"), tennis courts ("They're being re-surfaced, and will be ready in a few weeks"), nightclub ("It's not open yet"), etc. The only thing that was ready, the tourist told us, was the high season rates.

With Pesach and a sherron both early this year, it seems to have been a widespread condition in our hotels and resort areas: empty swimming pools, closed beaches, unprepared facilities, etc.

It is much easier to blame the drop in tourism on international politics than to look at our own failings in the field.

S. B. BENJAMIN
Kfar Shmaryahu, April 6.

DRY BONES COMFORT

To The Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I wonder how many readers like myself glance at the usual line-up of grim headlines and head straight for Dry Bones for comfort and inspiration.

Dry Bones' solution to the Palestinian Question (April 4) hits the nail on the head more than a dozen indignant letters, after-dinner speeches, informed articles and prepared statements.

It's time we exported the humour of Dry Bones. I'm sure that Jews in the Diaspora at least would be heartened to see him in their regular press. And his brilliant cartoons would do more to counter Arab propaganda than untold numbers of officials travelling abroad.

LORRAINE SILVER
Haifa, April 5.

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VIEWPOINT A WAY TO PEACE THROUGH ALIYA

By Maurice Carr

THE ISRAELI GOVERNMENT should follow the example of Dr. Kissinger after the failure of his stop-by-stop peace mission, and re-appraise the situation in depth. While always having to adjust to circumstances, we must pursue a long-term course. It is up to us to decide where we go from here, not just tomorrow and next month, but in the years ahead.

I submit that of late we have been heading the wrong way. The notion that we could make a separate peace with Egypt was mistaken and dangerous. We can be thankful to the Syrians and the late King Faisal for the pressure they brought to bear on Sadat. Without their intervention, the canny Egyptian President would have taken away from us the key positions of Sinai against preliminary notes of non-belligerency that he had no intention of honouring.

Now that we have had this provisional escape, we should make it perfectly clear that we cannot henceforth contemplate a Sinai retreat for anything short of a full-scale peace settlement. It so happens that no human problem is involved, the desert being uninhabited. It is also a fact that Egypt has no valid historic or moral title to this wilderness, which in her hands served only as a base for wars of aggression on Israel.

Further, there can be no question of our giving back the Golan Heights to the Syrians who are openly committed to our destruction and who used the highlands strictly as a military platform for pouring fire down on the Jewish lowlands.

Is this to suggest that we go to Geneva, as go we must, in an "all or nothing" frame of mind: either total peace or complete deadlock? So far, through the intermediary efforts of Dr. Kissinger, we have been politicking with Cairo and neglecting the human aspect of the problem on our hands, namely, the million Arabs in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip currently governed by the Yassir Arafat Forces. Admittedly, this state of affairs was brought on by King Hussein's unprovoked attack on us in the Six Day War. Indisputably, these Arabs are materially far better off today than ever they were under their past rulers who sat in Amman, in Whitehall, in Rome, never locally. Even so, it is not for us to deny them the right to self-determination.

Of course, there are complications. Our Palestinians are not only a deprived minority, they are also part of the Arab majority and identify themselves with the "one Arab nation" spread out from the Atlantic to the Persian Gulf. Moreover, they are supposedly represented by Yasser Arafat's P.L.O. which, with the compliments of the United Nations, is demonstratively bent on exterminating the Jewish state. The P.L.O. is the latest at the Savy Hotel in the heart of Tel Aviv, are unequivocal warnings of genocidal intent.

How do we reconcile our obligations to the Palestinians with our primary duty to preserve ourselves from another holocaust? The overt indifference or covert satisfaction with which the Roosevelt, the Stalins and the Popes watched the

slaughter of six million Nazis, is a reminder to place our reliance in humanitarianism. Never believe we shall be well put to the world in all and all-around our side-estimation case, and try to reach a morally well-founded agreement with the end Gaza Strip population. A permanent solution will not until there is all-round action of Israel's inalienable east and Jewish.

We had better not delude that this recognition will come soon, that through professions and common-sense gimmickry and smart-A can devise a short cut. The thing cannot be done. The Arabs are convinced, as on their side, Sadat set and widespread Arab believes that, given time, peace through a of three factors: U.S. Jewish weariness, an edge. Not for nothing foreign subsidies. Peace talks peace if Israel registration for 50 years, the ing itself demographics.

For survival's sake, I take up the challenge. To come to call up the res mobilize World Jewry in the Diaspora — and people with an ultimate fate — are willing and their bit. But the meaning of "Democrat and ap actions in Israel being w allys on an individual the poor assistance of Agency and the Ministry grant Absorption, cannot more than a trickle that set by emigration. What — in the United States, as a pilot project — is a organization that will en groups, entire communities complete with their structure, economic and social buildings have their factories, their offices, a Such an operation — it called ALIYA FOR PE not beyond the capacity can Jewry, stimulated tive Israeli leadership.

This cannot be improv will have to be serious pl let's appoint another Committee — with Dias on it — to make preliminar investigations. But let there and fast.

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